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November 29, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM UNITED WAY, INCORPORATED FOR 2-1-1 INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES (ALL DISTRICTS – 3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the attached Agreement to Accept Funds from United Way, Incorporated, in the amount of \$194,500 for Fiscal Year 2005-06 to partially offset the County match portion of the costs of the 2-1-1 and Specialized Information and Referral Services Program.
- 2. Upon receipt of United Way's contribution, instruct the Auditor-Controller to transfer this funding to the Department of Public Social Services as revenue to offset a portion of the Department's share of the program costs.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 5, 2001, consistent with the California Department of Social Services' (CDSS) Manual of Policy and Procedures Section 30-002 and the Welfare and Institutions Code Section 15766, your Board adopted an Agreement with Information and Referral Federation, Inc., (INFO LINE), to ensure that Information and Referral (I&R) services for health and human services resources were available to all County residents from July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2004.

Board of Supervisors GLORIA MOLINA First District

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ZEV YAROSLAVSKY Third District

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Subsequently, on November 21, 2001, your Board approved an Agreement with United Way, Incorporated to accept funds in the amount of \$194,484 for Fiscal Year 2001-02 to partially offset the Department of Public Social Services' (DPSS) expenditures related to the I&R services provided under the INFO LINE Agreement. Additionally at that time, your Board delegated authority to the Director of DPSS to sign subsequent annual Agreements to accept funds from United Way, Incorporated during the term of the INFO LINE Agreement provided that the conditions for the funds remained substantially similar.

The INFO LINE Agreement was renewed through June 30, 2005. Consequently, the United Way, Incorporated funding Agreement was also extended for the same term to offset DPSS' expenditures related to I&R program services.

On June 21, 2005, your Board approved a new Agreement with INFO LINE, (2-1-1 LA County as of July 1, 2005), to provide 2-1-1 and specialized I&R services for residents of the County from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Contingent upon available funding, the term of this Agreement may be extended on a month-to-month basis, for a period of time not to exceed six (6) months. Under this Agreement, the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) became the responsible party for overall contract management.

In late September 2005, United Way notified DPSS that it intended to continue its annual contribution and agreed to provide \$194,500 toward funding the County's INFO LINE Agreement for Fiscal Year 2005-06. As contract manager, my Office is seeking your approval to accept these funds from United Way, Incorporated and transfer the funds to DPSS. The funds will continue to be utilized to offset DPSS expenditures related to the 2-1-1 and specialized I&R services.

Implementation of the Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions are consistent with County Strategic Plan Goal 4 (Fiscal Responsibility) by strengthening the County's fiscal capacity through public/private partnership in funding the State mandated I&R services for Los Angeles County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The 2-1-1 and specialized I&R services program is funded through Federal, State, County, and other funds. United Way's contribution for I&R services will offset a County cost requirement for DPSS of \$194,500 in Fiscal Year 2005-06.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The attached Agreement provides for a United Way contribution of \$194,500 for Fiscal Year 2005-06, to be used solely for the provision of I&R services. This amount is the same as United Way's contribution in Fiscal Year 2004-05 which was executed in an Agreement signed by the Director of DPSS through delegated authority from your Board. The Agreement between United Way and the CAO will commence the day after your Board accepts the funds and will expire on June 30, 2006.

The Agreement has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES

The acceptance of the United Way funds will not impact the County's service level.

CONCLUSION

At such time as the recommendations are approved by your Board, please instruct the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors to return one adopted, stamped Board Letter and one fully executed copy of the Agreement to the CAO, Office of Unincorporated Area Services and Special Projects.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSEN

Chief Administrative Officer

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Attachment (1)

c: Auditor-Controller
County Counsel
Director of Public Social Service Services
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
United Way, Incorporated